

**LEGISLATION AND GOVERNMENTAL ORGANIZATION COMMITTEE
ASSOCIATION OF BAY AREA GOVERNMENTS**

Thursday, September 16, 2004

Summary Minutes

Members Present:

Mayor Irma Anderson, City of Richmond
Councilmember Desley Brooks, City of Oakland
Supervisor Scott Haggerty, County of Alameda
Vice Mayor Carol Klatt, City of Daly City
Supervisor Peter McHugh, County of Santa Clara
Councilmember Julia Miller, City of Sunnyvale
Councilmember Steve Rabinowitsh, City of Santa Rosa
Councilmember Gwen Regalia, City of Walnut Creek
Mayor Shelia Young, City of San Leandro

Also Present:

Patricia Jones – ABAG
Kathleen Cha—ABAG
Henry Gardner—ABAG
Michael Arnold—Legislative Advocate

1. Introductions: Supervisor Scott Haggerty opened the meeting at 3:35 p.m. chairing for Supervisor Rose Jacobs Gibson who was ill.

2. Minutes: July 15, 2004, minutes were approved.

3. State Propositions on November 2004 Ballot

The committee reviewed 16 state propositions on the November 2004 Ballot and discussed impacts on local government. It was noted that Proposition 65 was the only proposition the committee had taken a position on, recommending at previous meetings a support position, and now recognizing support for Proposition 1A. Summaries of all the Propositions containing fiscal impact information from the state Legislative Analysts' Office (LAO) were provided for information.

4. Status Summary of Legislation

The status of 34 bills considered by the Committee during the 2004 Legislative Session was examined. Committee members received a status listing of all bills considered, as well as an annotated summary of the bills for their reference. The review noted that, as of this L&GO meeting, four bills had been signed by the Governor and chaptered:

AB 2450 (Canciamilla) Sexually Violent Predators—Conditional Release Notice. Chapter 425
SB 526 (Torlakson): Redevelopment Referenda. Chapter 149
SB 1404 (Soto): Multifamily Improvement District. Chapter 526
SB 1815 (Johnson): Building Permits. Chapter 144

Eight other bills had been enrolled and were awaiting the Governor's signature. They included bills on housing element and planning reform, the safety element of the general plan, second units, density bonuses, statewide green business program, and SB 849—the MTC-ABAG bill. It was noted that the Governor had until September 30th to make a decision whether to approve or veto the bills.

Action: Committee requested for their reference a summary of the housing bills chaptered into law and their implications for local government

5. Strategic Planning for 2005 Legislative Session

The committee began a discussion of issues and activities for the Committee's consideration during the next Legislative Session. A proposal to partner with the League and/or other council of governments to host a legislative reception in Sacramento in the spring was introduced and will be further examined at later meetings.

As part of the strategic planning discussion, Michael Arnold, ABAG's Legislative Advocate, briefly discussed how next year's legislative climate will be affected by 2004-05 budget deficit, the November elections, the number of senior Senators being termed out, and the number of new Senators and Assembly Members who will be serving.

Next Meeting: The committee moved to continue 2005 strategic planning at the next meeting on November 18th.

Adjourn: The meeting adjourned at 4:50 p.m.

Next Meeting: November 18, 2004, 3:30 - 5 p.m., Joseph B. MetroCenter, ABAG Conference Room B